

Fresh Pears:

Total TEU/FEU:

The numerator represents the total number of 40-foot equivalent unit (FEU) shipped, by all carriers, during January 1999. The denominator represents the total number of FEU shipped, by all carriers, throughout the 1998 calendar year. Source: Port Import Export Reporting Service (PIERS), Journal of Commerce, January 1999.

Market Share-January:

Each carrier's current market share is based on the number of containers shipped during January 1999. Source: PIERS, January 1999.

Market Share-CY 1999:

Each carrier's market share is based on the total number of containers shipped throughout the 1998 calendar year. Source: PIERS, 1998.

Transit Time:

Each carrier's transit time is calculated on departure from Oakland, CA unless otherwise noted. Source: "The Pacific Shipper On-Line" and "The Shipping Guide on the Web."

Ocean Rates:

Ocean rates are applicable for April 15, 1999. Rates are per 40-foot container. Rates are quoted in U.S. dollars and represent container-yard to container-yard shipments. Source: Identified through the DXI on-line rate tariff and PLUS Tariff retrieval systems.

Container Rate:

Container rates for Fresh Pears are quoted on full 40-foot refrigerated containers unless otherwise noted.

Definitions

AI = All Inclusive

ARB = Arbitrary Charge

BAF(FAF) = Bunker Adjustment Factor is also known as fuel adjustment factor.

CAF = Currency Adjustment Charge

CFS = Container Freight Station - used to consolidate shipments.

CY-CY = Container Yard to Container Yard

KT = 1,000 Kilograms (Metric Ton).

PC = Per Container

THC = Terminal Handling Charge, also known as Container Yard Charge (CY).

FEU = 40-foot Equivalent Unit (40-foot container).

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Seattle/Tacoma Ports To Hong Kong

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Monthly Market Share For: January 1999

Month\Year: 23\23	Surcharges:												
Carrier	Market Share	Market Share CY	Transit Time	Ocean Rate	BAF	CY	CAF	ТНС	CFS Rec	ARB	Cotton R.	Size	ContainerRate
COSCO	50%	50%	16 Days	\$2.37				\$34				840 pkgs.	\$2,603
APL	21%	21%	13 Days	\$2.39				\$34				840 pkgs.	\$2,620
Mitsui OSK	9%	9%	13 Days	\$2.39				\$34				840 pkgs.	\$2,620
Cho Yang	9%	9%	17 Days	\$2.54				\$34				840 pkgs.	\$2,746
Yang Ming	7%	7%	16 Days	\$2.39				\$34				840 pkgs.	\$2,620
Hyundai	4%	4%	14 Days	\$2.64				\$34				840 pkgs.	\$2,830

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Seattle/Tacoma Ports To Keelung, Taiwan

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Monthly Market Share For: January 1999

Month\Year: $3\3$

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Carrier	Market Share	Market Share CY	Transit Time	Ocean Rate	BAF	CY	CAF	ТНС	CFS Rec	ARB	Cotton R.	Size	ContainerRate
Maersk	32%	32%	15 Days³	\$2.31			5%	\$34				840 pkgs.	\$2,649
Yang Ming	26%	26%	22 Days										
Evergreen	21%	21%	13 Days ³	\$2.03			5%	\$34				840 pkgs.	\$2,317
Mitsui OSK	11%	11%	15 Days	\$2.31			5%	\$34				840 pkgs.	\$2,649
Sea-Land	11%	11%	15 Days ³	\$2.31			5%	\$34				840 pkgs.	\$2,649

³ Transit time is based on departure from Tacoma, WA.

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Seattle/Tacoma Ports To Singapore

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Monthly Market Share For: January 1999

Month\Year: 3\3

Month Year: 3\3	Surcharges:											
Carrier	Market Share	Market Share CY	Transit Time	Ocean Rate	BAF	CY	CAF	ТНС	CFS Rec ARI	3 Cotton R.	Size	ContainerRate
APL	41%	41%	20 Days	\$3.04			10%	\$34			840 pkgs.	. \$3,421
Hyundai	41%	41%	22 Days	\$2,400 ¹								\$2,400
Hapag-Lloyd	12%	12%	24 Days									
P&O Nedlloyd	7%	7%	22 Days	\$2,400 ¹								\$2,400

¹ Rate is per container

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